

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. An optical pickup lens comprising a lens and a lens holder, wherein each of the lens and the lens holder has at least one mark in a direction of rotation based on
5 an optical axis of the lens as a center of rotation.

2. An optical pickup lens according to claim 1, wherein the mark of the lens holder is provided so as to oppose the mark of the lens.

3. An optical pickup lens according to claim 1,
10 wherein the marks of the lens and the lens holder are provided at regular intervals, respectively.

4. An optical pickup lens according to claim 1, wherein one mark is provided on a position of a periphery of the lens, and at least eight marks are provided on
15 positions of the lens holder which are adjacent to the periphery of the lens.

5. An optical pickup lens according to claim 1, wherein one mark is provided on a position of the lens holder which is adjacent to a periphery of the lens, and at
20 least eight marks are provided on positions of the periphery of the lens.

6. An optical pickup lens according to claim 1, wherein at least one of the marks of the lens is discriminated from the other marks of the lens.

25 7. An optical pickup lens according to claim 1,

wherein the lens has a round edge, and the mark of the lens is provided on the round edge.

8. An optical pickup lens according to claim 1,
wherein the mark of the lens is a line, a convex portion or
5 a concave portion.

9. An optical pickup lens according to claim 8,
wherein the convex portion is provided as the mark of the
lens, and a fitting portion which fits with the convex
portion of the lens is provided on the lens holder.

10 10. An optical pickup lens according to claim 9,
wherein a plurality of fitting portions each of which fits
with the convex portion of the lens are provided on the
lens holder by providing a plurality of ribs each of which
opposes the convex portion of the lens and protrudes in a
15 direction parallel to the optical axis of the lens.

11. An optical pickup lens according to claim 9,
wherein a plurality of fitting portions each of which fits
with the convex portion of the lens are provided on the
lens holder by forming a plurality of grooves each of which
20 opposes the convex portion of the lens and extends in a
direction parallel to the optical axis of the lens on a
portion of the lens holder which receives an outer
peripheral side portion of a round edge of the lens.

12. An optical pickup lens according to claim 9,
25 wherein a plurality of fitting portions each of which fits

with the convex portion of the lens are provided on the lens holder at regular intervals in a direction of rotation based on the optical axis of the lens as the center of rotation.

5 13. An optical pickup lens according to claim 9, wherein angular intervals of the fitting portions of the lens holder each of which fits with the convex portion of the lens are 45°.

10 14. An optical pickup lens according to claim 1, wherein the lens is a plastic lens, and the lens and the mark of the lens are integrally formed.

15 15. An optical pickup lens according to claim 14, wherein the mark of the lens is a convex portion which is composed of a part or a whole of a gate portion of the lens which is left to remain after cutting the gate portion of the lens formed by a gate of a mold through which a molten plastic is injected into the mold so as to form the lens; or the mark of the lens is a concave portion formed on the lens after cutting said gate portion of the lens.

20 16. An optical pickup unit comprising the optical pickup lens according to claim 1.

17. An optical disc apparatus comprising the optical pickup unit according to claim 16.